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Black & Decker recommends repairs on cordless mowers CMM1000 mowers distributed in "Clean Green Yard Machines" program could pose fire risk

Black & Decker is conducting a repair program for certain Black & Decker model CMM1000 cordless lawnmowers. The voluntary corrective action is being issued because an electrical component can overheat, damage the lawn mower, and pose a possible fire hazard. Trained technicians must assess each mower to determine if any components are faulty.

Nearly 300 of the CMM1000 mowers were distributed this spring in Merced, and nearly 400 in Visalia in the Valley Air District's Clean Green Yard Machines lawnmower trade-in program. Last year, more than 740 mowers were distributed in an event in Fresno. Valley residents swapped their polluting, gasoline-powered mowers for a 50 percent discount on the purchase of the battery-powered mower.

Black & Decker recommends that customers with these mowers stop using them immediately. Customers are encouraged to call Black & Decker toll free at 1-866-229-5570 between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. (Eastern Standard Time) for more information on repairs. Additional information also is available at Black & Decker's web site at www.BlackandDecker.com.